GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Prohibition & Excise Department – Detention under section 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988) against Cannabis trafficker - Vizianagaram District – Detention of Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023 U/Sec 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988) – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (EXCISE.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1425 Dated: 21-11-2025

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms. No.131, General Administration (SC-1) Department, Dated: 08.10.2018.
2. From the Superintendent of Police, Vizianagaram District, Letter in C. No. 36/D4/DCRB/VZM/2025, Dt.14.07.2025.

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ORDER:

In the reference 2nd read above, the Superintendent of Police, Vizianagaram District has reported that adverting to the above subject, Inspector of Police, Vizianagaram rural Circle has placed before the Superintendent of Police, Vizianagaram District and same forwarded to Government about the information regarding a spate of Illegal possession and sale of Ganja by Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023 (herein after referred as detenue) for issuing of detention orders u/s 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988).

2. He has no respect for law and he has been engaging in Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances. He has all the attributes as envisaged under section 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT-NDPS Act). He started earning money by transporting and selling Ganja without any respect towards law, had emerged as a kingpin in illegal selling and possession of Ganja.

3. Three (03) cases were registered against Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023 at different police stations in Vizianagaram district. These cases are likely to be considered while issuing orders under section 3(1) of the Prevention of illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PIT NDPS act 1988), to detain the said individual (detenue) and deter him from committing further criminal activities. The below cases under NDPS Act were registered against him till date are as follows:

Sl. No	Name of the PS	Cr. No. & Sec. of Law	Ganza Seized	Present stage
1	Vizianagaram Rural	Cr No.46/2025 20(b)(ii) (B)r/w 8(c) of NDPS Act.	1.530 Kgs	Under Investigation
2	Bondapalli	Cr No.162/2024 8c r/w 20(b) (ii) (B) of NDPS Act.	2.5 Kgs	Pending Trail
3	Visakhapatnam II town	Cr.No.325/2022 20(b) of NDPS Act.	2 Kgs	Pending Trail

4. GROUNDS FOR DETENTION:-

1. Cr. No. 46/2025 U/s 20(b) (ii) (B) r/w 8(c) of NDPS act of Vizianagaram Rural P.S.

This is a case of illegal possession of Contraband Ganja that occurred on 24-2-2025 at 17-00 hours, on BT road at Kotta kapupeta village, Vizianagaram mandal and reported on the same day at 19-00 hours, wherein the complainant S.I of Police, Vizianagaram Rural Police Station arrested the accused Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham mandal, Visakhapatnam District, previously residing at V.T Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram who has possession of contraband Ganja wg. about 1.530 Kgs and seized the same under the cover of mediators' report. This case is Under Investigation.

2. Cr.No.162/2024 U/s 8c r/w 20(b)(ii)(B) of NDPS act of Bondapalli P.S.

This is a case of illegal possession and transportation of Cannabis/Ganja which occurred on 09.09.2024 at 17.00 hrs., at Railway Station junction, Gotlam village, Bondapalli Mandal and reported on the same day at 19.30 hrs., on receiving credible information the SI of Police, Bondapalli P.S. along with his staff along with mediators conducted a raid and accused A-1 Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik, S/o Ramesh, 23 yrs., Sistikaranalu by caste, Satyanarayanapuram, Chelluru village, Vizianagaram Mandal and Dist., A-2 Allu Sagar, S/o Vishnu,22 yrs., Telaga by caste, BC colony, Opp. old District Court, Vizianagaram, A-3 Telagarapu Tejaswaraoop, S/o Venkata Rao, 19 yrs., Viswa Brahmin by caste, Ramajogipeta, Water tank, Chelluru village, Vizianagaram, A-4 Saroj Patel S/o late Chaitanya Patel, 25 yrs., Munugudu, Tikarpada, Rayagada Dist., Odissa state were caught by the Police and while they have in possession and transporting of contraband Ganja of 2.5 KGs illegally and A-5) Meesala Sai Sumanth S/o Krishnamurthy, 30 yrs., ST-Valmiki by caste, Santhinagar, Opp MRO office, Jayathi Bhanvan, Vizianagaram and A-6 Abinash Nag S/o late Satish Nag, Naidupeta village, Rayagada Dist., Odissa state contracting by phone with the above 4 accused and A-5, A-6 also involved transporting of contraband Ganja illegally and etc., facts. This case is Pending in Trail vide SC No.39/2025.

3. Cr.No.325/2022 U/s 20(b) of NDPS act of Visakhapatnam II Town P.S.

This is a case of illegal possession of Ganja that occurred on 28.09.2022 at 13.30 hrs, at near Lalitha Jewellers , RTC Complex Visakhapatnam and reported on the same day at 14.45 hrs., On reliable information regarding illegal possession of Ganja for selling at higher prices, the accused Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village,

Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhapatnam district, previously residing V.T Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal and Dist., was caught red handily while in the possession of one packet of Ganja in plastic bag weighing about 2 KGs with wrapped brown colour plastic tape. On confession the accused Korlam Phanendra Patnaik @ Faninda voluntarily stated that he wants to be earning more money for doing Ganja business. On 27.09.2022 he went to Dubriguda and brought 2 KGs of Ganja Rs.2,000/- per KG from his friend's name Chaitanya Dubriguda, ASR Dist., In this case charge sheet was filed on 27.04.2023 and it is Pending in Trail vide SC No.308/2023.

5. The Ganja is being possessed and sold by him is causing widespread danger to the public health. Thus, he is involved in "illicit traffic" as classified under section 2 (e) (iii) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act,1988) and acting prejudicial manner to the maintenance of public health. Thus, he is acting as prejudicial to the maintenance of the public health.

6. In order to effectively control the illegal activities of Ganja trading of the detenue Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023, and to prevent him from committing such offenses in the future, there is no other option but to invoke the provisions of law and detain him under Section 3(1) of The Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988).

7. The offender repeatedly resorts to illicit drug Traffic offenses for easy and quick money with small investments, disregarding the penalties under the NDPS Act, 1988. Catching the offenders is a difficult and laborious process requiring meticulous planning and many man-hours, making it impossible to prevent the immediate recurrence of similar activities. These activities adversely affect the community, creating insecurity and danger to the public life and health, causing a disturbance in the locality, and impacting Public Health.

8. The prosecution process takes a long time to have an impact on the illicit drug Traffic activities of the detenue under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act, 1985. His activities could lead to cannabis tragedies costing many lives of poor people in the Vizianagaram District and its surrounding vicinities, affecting public health, financial and social status, and ultimately public order.

9. In view of the above facts enumerated supra, Government, after careful examination and in exercise of the powers conferred upon the Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue (Excise) Department under section 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic In Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988) vide G.O.Ms.No.131, General Administration (SC-1) Department, Dated: 08.10.2018 do hereby direct under Sub-Section (1) of Section 3 of the said Act that Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023, shall be detained in Central Prison, Visakhapatnam/ Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh State until further orders to be received from the Government in order to prevent the detenue from indulging in such dangerous, clandestine and illegal activities prejudicial to the maintenance of public health and as per the provisions laid down under the Prevention of Illicit

Traffic In Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988.

10. The grounds of detention in English and Telugu languages and the material in support thereof are being sent herewith to Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., Phone No.9550079766, Aadhar No. 7684 5475 3023. The individual has a right to make are presentation before the Detaining Authority as per article 22 (5) of the Constitution of India, to the Advisory Board against his detention U/Sec 9 of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic In Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act, 1988) and he has also a right to be heard personally by the Advisory Board, if he so desires.

11. The Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam/ Rajamahendravaram is directed to take over the detenue into his custody and lodge him in the Central Prison, Visakhapatnam/Rajamahendravaram until further orders from the Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MUKEHS KUMAR MEENA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam/ Rajamahendravaram.
Copy to:
Sri Korlam Phaneendra Patnaik @ Fanindra, s/o late Ramesh, 23 years, Patnaik by caste, Satyanarayanapuram village, Padmanabham Mandal, Visakhpatnam District, previously residing VT Agraharam, BC Colony, Vizianagaram Mandal & Dist., (**Through** the Inspector of Police, Vizianagaram rural Circle, Vizianagaram District)
The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110003.
The Superintendent of Police, Vizianagaram District.
The OSD to the Chief Secretary, A.P. Secretariat, for favour of kind information.
The Inspector of Police, Vizianagaram rural Circle, Vizianagaram District (To serve the orders on and send the served copy to this office).
The PS to Prl. Secretary, GA (Political) Dept., A.P. Secretariat for favour of information.
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt., Revenue (Excise) Dept., AP. Secretariat.
The PS to Secretary to Govt., Law Department.
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